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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on November 2, 2007 which sets a shortened statutory period for reply to expire on February 4, 2008 (February 2, 2008 being a Saturday). Applicants hereby request an extension of time for one month and are concurrently filing a formal Request for Extension of Time, together with all requisite fees therefor. If for any reason the Request for Extension of Time is not associated with the file, or the fee submitted herewith is deemed insufficient for any reason, the present submission should be interpreted to include the requisite Request for Extension of Time, and the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fees necessary to preserve the pendency of this application to deposit account No. 19-0089.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.